IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO.721 OF 1993

Bhalchandra Dattatraya Ranade
& Ors. ... Petitioners

Vs.

Mahabaleshwar Hill Station,
Municipal Council,
Mahabaleshwar & Ors. ... Respondents

Mr. J.G. Reddy h/f Smt. Suhasini Mutalik for the petitioners.

Mr. P.V. Samant for respondents 1 and 2.

Mr. B.R. Patil, Acting. P.P. for the State.

CORAM: SMT. RANJANA DESAI, J.

DATED: 11TH AUGUST, 2004.

P.C.:-

1. This writ petition was disposed of by me on 11/3/2004. Direction was given to the Administrator, Mahabaleshwar Hill Station Municipal Council, Mahabaleshwar, to rehear the objections of the petitioners on the question of fixation of annual letting value under the Maharashtra Municipal Councils Nagar Panchayats and Industrial Townships Act, 1965. The Administrator was directed to complete the entire exercise by 20/7/2004. Now Mr. Samant, learned counsel appearing for respondents 1 and 2 states that there is no post of Administrator. On account of lack of instructions, he could not communicate this fact to me on

the date on which the judgment was delivered. He states that the Collector is going to appoint Town Planning Officer to carry out the directions. The date of hearing before the Town Planning Officer is 17/8/2004. He states that in view of this, the time to fix annual letting value may be extended by a period of six weeks.

2. I have also heard Mr. Reddy holding for Mrs. Mutalik for the petitioners. He has no objection to the extension of time.

3. In the circumstances, the Collector of Satara is directed to immediately appoint the Town Planning Officer to carry out the directions issued by me in my judgment dated 11/3/2004. The fixation of the annual letting value should be done within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of this order by the Collector, Satara.

(SMT. RANJANA DESAI, J.)